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CHEROKEE

FOR THE SECRETARY, WISNER AND REINHARDT

E. O. 11652: GDS  
TAGSGK SPNBJ, RH, SW, NI  
SUBJ: MESSAGE TO OBASANJO FROMKISSINGER

REF: STATE 286628 (NODIS)

DCM CALLED ON EXTAFF COMMISSIONER GARBA 1230 P.M. NOVEMBER  
23 AND PASSED HIM TYPED TEXT OF SECRETARY'S LETTER TO ODASANJO.  
GARBA WAS PLEASED WITH FORTHCOMING, SUBSTANTIVE NATURE OF THE  
LETTER AND SAID HE WOULD GET IT TO OBASANJO AT ONCE. SAID HE  
WAS NOT ENTIRELY CLEAR AS TO COURSE SECRETARY WAS PURSUING;  
THERE WERE CONFLICTING IMPRESSIONS, AS HE HAD UNDERSTOOD  
FROM NUJOMA THAT LITTLE HAD EMERGED FROM LATTER'S DISCUSSION  
WITH THE SECRETARY. DCM OBSERVED THAT SECRETARY'S LETTER LAID  
OUT THE SITUATION IN CLEAR, PERSUASIVE TERMS, THE ESSENCE  
BEING THAT NEGOTIATIONS OFFER BEST ENVIRONMENT FOR ELICITING  
COMPROMISES AND ACHIEVING PROGRESS TOWARD ULTIMATE GOAL OF  
MAJORITY RULE. GARBA AGREED, ADDING IT WAS A PITY HE HAD NOT  
HAD OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS SECRETARY'S TACTICAL APPROACH WITH  
HIM PERSONALLY. DCM SAID HE THOUGHT THIS STILL COULD  
USEFULLY BE DONE AND HOPED MEETING WITH THE SECRETARY MIGHT  
BE POSSIBLE. GARBA SAID HE WOULD BE PURSUING THE SUBSTANCE

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OF THE LETTER WITH OBASANJO AND MIGHT BE BACK TO US ON IT.

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